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HAVE FAILED TO UNDERSTAND

Writer in Atlantic Monthly Criticizes
the Ideas Held by Great Men
Concerning Women.

It seems that the intelligence of man cannot solve the problem of woman, which is a bad sign in a superior intelligence. The trouble lies in this: man assumes far too readily that woman essentially differs from man. Hardly a man has lived who did not so exaggerate. Nietzsche, Schopenhauer, agreed to despise women; Napoleon seemed to view them as engines of pleasure; for Shakespeare they may well have embodied a romantic ideal, qualified by sportive wantonness. In Walter Scott women appear as romance in a cheap edition; Byron in their regard is a beast of prey, Doctor Johnson a pompous brute, and a puritanical sensualist. Cervantes mixed in his romantic outlook a sort of suspicious hatred, while Alexandre Dumas thought them born only to lay laurel wreaths and orange blossoms (together with coronets) upon the heads of musketeers. All, all—from Thackeray, who never laid his hand upon a woman save in the way of patronage, to Goethe, to Dante, to Montaigne, to Wellington—all harbored this curious idea; in one way or another woman differs from man. And today, whether we read Bernard Shaw, George Moore, M. Paul Bourget or Hall Caine, we find that there still persists a belief in Byron's words: "What a strange thing is man! And what a stranger is woman!"—Atlantic Monthly.

CASH INSTEAD



"I came near marrying him once, but it was all for the best that I didn't."

"How's that?"

"I sued him for ten thousand dollars for breach of promise and won."

TESTING PAINTS AND DYES.

Increased use is being made of the flaming are for paint and dye testing, according to a paper read recently before the American Electro-Chemical Industry. The suggestion was made by the author that with a consumption of 25 amperes the lamp be used at two feet away from the samples being tested. The author declared that after having made several hundred tests between sunlight and the white, flaming are lamp, he had found the latter far superior. The flaming are lamp was also found more satisfactory than the nitrogen-filled lamp and other illuminants. Not only does the flaming are give more uniform conditions of test, but it is more rapid, and tests can be made in ten hours which require two weeks by sunlight.

A PERFECT WOMAN.

"My daughter has finally struck a perfectly balanced ration."

"What is it?"

"Fish gives you brains and carrots make you beautiful. In a few weeks the moving picture impresarios may begin to send in their bids."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

REVERSING THE USUAL ORDER.

"Do you know, Jones does some uncommonly queer things. Anything to be different from other people."

"Like what, for instance?"

"Why, he's just put a mortgage on his limousine to have repairs made on his house."

TO THE POINT.

"I wish I were as rich as that man," sighed he.

"No, you don't," retorted she, "or you'd work as hard as he does."

DIGNIFIED RETICENCE.

"Did her father kick about your marrying the girl?"

"That is a subject too painful to discuss."

WAS NOT HIS TIME TO DIE

British Airman May Truly Be Said
to Have Escaped by the "Skin
of His Teeth."

The flying corps of all the armies have distinguished themselves for daring and gallantry during the present war. An eye witness at the British headquarters, says the Field, tells about one thrilling episode that was more sensational than most of the adventurous exploits that occur along the front almost daily.

A British airman, alone in a single-seated aeroplane, saw and pursued a German machine. While trying to reload his machine gun he lost control of his steering gear, and the aeroplane turned upside down. The belt round the man's waist was rather loose, and the jerk almost threw him out of the machine; but he saved himself by clutching hold on the rear center strut, while the belt slipped down round his legs.

As he hung thus, head downward, making desperate efforts to disengage his legs, the aeroplane fell from a height of 8,000 feet to about 2,500 feet, spinning round and round like a falling leaf. At last he managed to free his legs and reach the control lever with his foot. Then he succeeded in righting the machine, which turned slowly over, completely "looping the loop." Thereupon the pilot slid back into his seat and came composedly to the ground.

FLATTERER NOT A FRIEND

Only the One Who Can Bring Out the
Best That Is in Us May Be Called
by That Name.

Loyalty is not blind adherence; it is clear-sighted devotion to the highest interest of a friend. It will not hesitate to oppose an unwise plan, to tear away the bandage which closes the eyes to unwelcome truth; it will bear misunderstanding and jeopardize loss of friendship, if these are the price of loyalty to the highest interests of a friend.

For friendship can have no sure foundation save the frankness of absolute truth, and loyalty no aim save service to the higher nature of a friend. Our friends are not those who are silent when we make mistakes and flatter us when we do less than our best; they are those "who make us do what we can."

Such a friend is not only a delightful companion by the way, but a fellow traveler who makes the goal clear when fatigue and doubt cloud the vision, and resolutely urges us onward when we are tempted to falter in the quest; and such a friendship is the highest expression of integrity; it is a noble form of service to the world.—The Outlook.

MAKE LOVE THROUGH FRIENDS.

Chin Wah and Mary Vazskabine are not linguists. Chin speaks Chinese and the girl Hungarian, but both have friends who can interpret. They were married at Cleveland despite the fact that they could not understand each other's native tongues.

During the courtship mutual friends translated the Hungarian and Chinese love letters. Chin, who is twenty-seven years old, has a laundry. The bride is twenty-five years old.

NATURAL CONSEQUENCES.

Blondine—Hear about Uriah Unson?

Brunetta—What about Uriah?

"Up in the North woods a hunter mistook him for a beast and nearly shot him."

"I am not surprised."

"Not surprised?"

"No, his wife has called him a bear ever since they were married."

HADN'T BROUGHT HER ALONG.

"I am afraid I shall have to commit you as a vagrant," said the justice, looking sadly at Weary Waggle. "You have no visible means of support."

"But, your honor," protested Weary, "I couldn't bring my wife along. She's too busy supportin' the family."—Judge.

A HANDICAP.

"It is a wonder Jinks has not accomplished more. He has very board views, hasn't he?"

"Yes, but very narrow means."

NOT FOR THE RICH.

"I just adore nature. Don't you?"

"Yes, in moderation; but one can't help feeling that nature was intended for the lower classes."

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